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Traffic Fatality #42

Case: 2010-3030716

Date: Saturday, October 30, 2010

Time: 6:04 a.m.

Location: 9100 block of North US 183 north bound, fly over from north bound 183 to south bound Mopac

Deceased: Hector Rolando Garcia, Hispanic male, (D.O.B. 2-13-1972)

Narrative:

On Saturday, October 30, 2010, at 6:04 a.m., Austin Police Officers responded to a vehicle crash in the 9100 block of North US 183 north bound, fly over from north bound 183 to south bound Mopac.

A preliminary investigation shows that Hector Garcia was driving a 2007 Peterbilt tractor that was pulling a 1996 Heil tanker trailer. The tanker was hauling gasoline. The tractor-trailer was traveling north bound on 183 on the fly over to south bound Mopac. Garcia lost control while on the fly over causing his vehicle to flip over on its side. The gasoline in the tanker ignited and burst into flames. Garcia was unable to escape from the tractor. He was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Speed appears to be a factor in the collision.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call APD Vehicular Homicide Unit Detectives at (512) 974-5520. This case remains under investigation. This is the 42nd fatality of 2010. At this time in 2009 there were 53 fatalities in Austin.

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